

NEW MEXICO

1. Partnership with Spain – New Mexico Department of Education and the Ministry of Education and Culture in Spain continue to collaborate in developing and implementing projects of international cooperation for the schools of New Mexico. The following are programs and activities in which New Mexico has been engaged:
 - In 2001-02, 28 teachers from Spain delivered instruction in bilingual education programs as part of the New Mexico Spain Visiting Teachers program. The districts involved were Albuquerque, Deming, Santa Fe, Las Cruces, and Roswell.
 - New Mexico and Spain have exchanged teachers/assignments as a result of the Post-to-Post Program. The district involved was Santa Fe.
 - One language assistant is assigned to work with the Spanish Resource Center at the Hispanic National Center in Albuquerque.
 - In 2000-2001, 19 teachers from New Mexico received scholarships and participated in various summer institutes in Spanish universities.
 - Over 300 teachers from New Mexico participated in Bilingual Workshops 2001 held at several school districts and the Spanish Resource Center at the University of New Mexico.
 - There was a student exchange between Jemez Valley High School and Candeleda High School in Spain.
2. Schools/Teachers Exchange Programs – New Mexico schools/teachers have also participated in teacher exchange programs in Japan, Russia, and Germany. New Mexico is continuing with the following programs:
 - New Mexico/Spain Visiting Teachers Program (2002-2003) is for those districts that have a shortage of qualified bilingual teachers. This offers the opportunity to recruit, from Spain, Spanish teachers specializing in Bilingual Education, to teach Spanish in elementary, middle, and high schools.
 - Language/Culture Assistants Program will place language and culture assistants from Spain in American primary and secondary schools. The Assistants will help student and teachers of Spanish learn about Hispanic language and culture. These Assistants hold a Master's degree in Languages. The Embassy of Spain provides them with a monthly salary, and the school district will provide food and lodging or a monetary equivalent.
3. Student Exchange Program – This program will allow middle and high school American students to engage in a two-to-four week exchange program with Spanish students. A new feature is the duration to three months. The exchange is school-based, with students attending school, cultural activities, sports and excursions. Participants will live with corresponding Spanish students' families.

New Mexico high schools also participate in other foreign exchange student programs that are housed outside of the Department of Education. Some of the districts that have

participated in these programs include Albuquerque, Santa Fe, Las Cruces, Roswell, Clovis, Pojoaque, and Taos.

4. Scholarships for Summer Institutes – The Education Office of the Embassy of Spain has agreements with over twenty Spanish universities to offer summer courses to American teachers at all levels. These programs are advertised to teachers in New Mexico.
5. Title VII – Funding utilizes outreach programs and promotes cultural understanding between parents and the community.
6. Cooperation with Mexico – New Mexico is in the process of negotiating a Memorandum of Understanding with Mexico.

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